

the antediluvians by the flood, and Noah and his family "being saved by water," says, "The like figure whereunto even baptism doth also now save us, (not the putting away of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God,) by the resurrection of Jesus Christ." 1 Pet. iii, 21. Paul, in his first defense before the people when he was apprehended at Jerusalem, gave an account of his conversion, in which he said, "And Ananias, a devout man according to the law, having a good report of all the Jews which dwelt there, came unto me, and said unto me, Brother Saul, receive thy sight. And the same hour I looked upon him. And he said, The God of our fathers hath chosen thee, that thou shouldest know his will, and see that Just One, and shouldest hear the voice of his mouth. For thou shalt be his witness unto all men of what thou hast seen and heard. And now why tarryest thou? arise, and be baptized, and wash away thy sins, calling on the name of the Lord." Acts xxii, 12-16.—*Gospel Messenger*.

CONVENTION NOTES.

Bring your Gospel Hymns No. 5.

In ten day's the conference will open.

Try and be here for the Sunday services.

The prospects are now good for a large delegation.

Bring a student for your school when you come and you will greatly help in making it a success.

The program for the Mich. conference to be held at New Troy, Oct., 4, 5 and 6 will be in the next number.

The lover of early morning prayer and praise meetings will very probably be here. Well: the disciples had to have a prayer meeting before they could have a *Pentecost*.

It seems that the greatest number will come on the midnight train Saturday night. This we regret as it would be better for all delegates to be here at the opening services.

Do you realize how fast we are growing? The members of the Brethren church have but few years to work until we are recognized by all, as a church with a great future.

Mrs. Garst will have charge of the boarding hall, with an able corps of assistants and should any thing be made above the expenses it will be used in purchasing furniture for the hall which is badly needed.

This will be the last paper some will get before conference as your next week's paper will not reach you before you start, so we hope you will understand all that is needful for your journey here.

The service in the country was well attended and such an interest was awakened that it was thought best to continue for two or three nights at least. The place of preaching is an M. E. church one mile south of the Dickey church, or 4 miles from Ashland.

All parties coming to Ashland via. B. & O., or Penn. R. R., will change at Mansfield, O. The Penn. and Erie R. R's, have a union depot and the B. & O., depot is but three or four blocks distant. Street cars connect them.

Bros. Worst and Haskins will meet all trains from east and west on Saturday and Saturday night. Go into the waiting room and if you do not know them have the ticket agent point them out to you.

Write a card to "The Brethren Publishing House," and tell us when you will reach Ashland, how many days you want to stop, your preference of a place to board and lodge, and we will make arrangements for your entertainment.

It has been suggested that each church will send by its delegate, a comfort or quilt as a donation to Ashland College boarding hall. This we feel is reasonable, as in almost every church there are members who could easily spare a good comforter and still have plenty left.

All persons desiring excursion rates to Ashland who live any where between Pittsburg and Chicago should at once apply to the General Passenger agents of the roads they desire to use to put tickets on sale at depots from which they wish to start, unless the agents already have the necessary instructions.

Dr. Elmer H. Southren, wife and son, are in town visiting Mrs. Southren's father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Hib Ridgley, on Broad street. Dr. Southren is a well established and successful practicing physician in Washington, D. C. He was a student at Ashland College early in the eighties.—*Ashland Gazette*.

Here are the special rates for the conference delegates.—The two first class hotels will charge \$1.50 for room and board, or two or more occupying one room, \$1.00 per day for room and board. At the boarding hall you will be asked to pay twenty-five cents each for the use of a furnished room for one night, and you can then retain the room during conference without any further charge. Meals at boarding hall will be twenty-five cts. per day. The members of the Ashland city church will accommodate all they can free of charge.

The lecture of Hon. Henry Watterson is going to be a great attraction on the opening day. People are writing for tickets and will probably crowd the opera house to its fullest extent.

ASHLAND COLLEGE NOTES.

School opens Monday, Sept., 3rd.

Every room in the college is cleaned and ready for you and your future.

The commercial department will be in charge of Bro. J. C. Beal who was one of the former instructors.

The chance of a life time—Free tuition to theological students coming recommended by their home churches.

E. S. Young, Pres. of Mount Morris college spent two day's of last week with the G. B. Brethren of Ashland.

Miss Sadie Berkley, instructor in music is a member of the Brethren church and comes very highly recommended.

The teacher in Shorthand and type writing is a young man of experience who has turned out many successful operators.

The Stenographic department will have three type writing machines; A "Smith Premier," "Caligraph" and "Hammond."

Dr. Garst will teach the Metaphysical department and he is a safeguard to those who in studying philosophy are carried away by it.

The name of Bro. J. Allen Miller is a sufficient guarantee that the theological department will be a success and a great help to both church and school.

Even with its ups and downs Ashland University has turned from it young men who have since become the pride not only of our own but of other churches.

Mrs. Garst is to be the matron of the boarding hall and parents can send their loved ones feeling assured she will be a mother to the homesick and a true helpful friend to all.

The fire burns brightest at the desk in the president's office where we go to hear Dr. Garst read the many letters coming from the skirmish line of the future host of Ashland University alumni.

The churches having the cause of Christ and their own future at heart, will surely send their young talent to the Brethren College to be educated. This they owe to themselves, their young people and their God.

No State lines should be drawn in sending your children to college. If the G. B. Brethren send their children from Ohio to Mount Morris because their doctrine is taught and defended there, for the same reason you should support this, your school and in return it will reward you with young men and women sound in the faith.

There was a large attendance at the preaching services in the college chapel Sunday morning but no preaching in the evening as the pastor had promised an evening meeting at our country church; this is but the second Sunday evening missed since the opening of the work here. The members not favoring uniting in the union service as the crowds were large and interest good even through the warm weather.